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# Choice Strawberry Plants

GROWN AND FOR SALE BY

C. E. Chapman, North Stonington, Conn.

## SPRING, 1917

### Greeting

To my patrons in all the New England States I extend thanks for the business given me during the past year. To the new friends who may favor me with their orders this year I will say that I will try hard to please each one no matter how large or small the order may be. I am offering only a few varieties this year, but they are the kind that are adapted to New England conditions. Five of the varieties I am offering in the standards originated in New England and two that were originated elsewhere have proven their worth here by long trial.

I grow fruit largely for market as well as sell plants and grow it from the varieties I am listing.

I am growing plants at present for the New England trade only and Chapman's plants are grown in every New England state.

My stock of plants is as fine as any I ever had and my customers know that I send out none but the best.

### General Information

Shipping season begins in April and ends when the last order is filled. Although it is best to set plants as early as possible, I am here to accommodate my customers, and the past season shipped my last order, which amounted to more than fifty dollars, June 6. This could not be done with southern-grown plants as at that time they are in the midst of the fruiting season there. Strawberry plants are dug fresh as wanted, trimmed of dead leaves and runners, and tied in bunches of 25, and labeled so there can be no mistake, and packed so they will carry safely to destination.

## How to Remit

Remittances may be made in any way that is most convenient. Write name and address very plainly, giving post office, express office and state. Address all communications to

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## List of Varieties

**Abington**—I place this at the head of the list because it belongs there. After growing strawberries for thirty years, and testing hundreds of varieties, I have found none that comes so near being perfect in all the qualities that make up a great strawberry as Abington. One of the best growers in plant, fruit large, smooth and handsome, never rough or misshapen, medium early, fine quality, long season, holds up in size and adapts itself to any soil. I have grown it for 12 years and it shows no sign of deterioration; indeed it seems to grow better every year. If I were restricted to only one variety I should take Abington without any hesitation. Origin, Massachusetts.

**Glen Mary**—This variety is too well known in New England to need any extended description. It is a close second to Abington and by some might be preferred, and that is enough to say about it. Next to Abington, I sell more plants of this than any other. I get orders for this in 5,000 lots. Origin, Pennsylvania.

**Golden Gate**—Strictly fancy fruit. Fine plant growth, very productive. Needs rich soil and good culture to do its best. Origin, Massachusetts.

**Barrymore**—Fruited for me the first time last summer. The fruit is fine, but it did not produce a heavy crop of fruit. It seemed more sensitive to the unfavorable weather that prevailed at fruiting time than any of the other varieties. It is highly recommended, but I would advise trying it only in a small way at first.

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**Dickey**—Originated and introduced by the same parties who introduced the Sample and after fruiting it several times I can say I think it is superior to it. In plant growth it is perfect. It is very productive, the quality is good.

**Minute Man**—Imperfect flowers. This variety is grown largely in the great strawberry sections that supply the Boston market. It is not a new variety, but it has not been grown much outside of Massachusetts, where it originated. This is the only imperfect flowered variety in my list and must be set with a perfect flowered variety like Abington or Golden Gate to fertilize its blossoms. The party from whom I obtained my plants describes it as follows: "Medium early. A good grower, dark glossy foliage, free from rust. The fruit is large, good color and quality; one of the best market berries I grow on rather light land. I consider it equal in every respect to Sample; in fact, it is hard to decide which is the better. A good family and market berry, steadily growing in favor in New England." A good grower. I have not fruited it.

**William Belt**—This variety sets the standard for quality by which all others are judged. While a few other varieties approach it in this respect there is not one that equals it. The Chesapeake is claimed to equal it, but it surely **does not**. This is a fancy variety and one of the very best in plant growth and a heavy bearer of the largest size fruit. Origin, Ohio.

### Prices

For any of the above varieties, 75c per hundred, \$4.00 per thousand. Fifty of one kind at the hundred rate, 500 of one kind at the thousand rate. If wanted by mail, add 15c for 50 and 25c per rate, 500 at the thousand rate.

### Fall-Bearing Strawberries

These have proven their worth for the garden by several years' test and in some cases are quite profitable for market.

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**Progressive**—This variety is a good grower and produces medium-size fruit in abundance in the fall the same year it is set and the quality is fine.

**Superb**—This is the fancy variety. It does not produce so much fruit as Progressive the season it is set, but it is larger and in the regular fruiting season it fruits heavily and the fruit is fine.

Prices for either of the above: 25 for 50c, 50 for 75c, 100 for \$1.25, 500 for \$4.00, 1,000 for \$8.00. If wanted by mail, add 10c for 25, 15c for 50 and 25c for 100.

### **Raspberries**

**King Red**—This is the only variety I am offering this year. This variety deserves its name. It was originated in Rio Vista, Virginia, by the late Mark T. Thompson. It is one of the healthiest, hardiest, handsomest and most productive varieties grown. I have grown it for years, starting with it when the plants cost 25c apiece. I have sold tens of thousands of the plants and grown hundreds of bushels of the fruit and never have had one complaint of either the fruit or plants. It outranks all I have ever tried in all the desirable qualities of a raspberry. It is early, large size, extremely productive and makes a long season. It is, and has been for years, one of the most profitable fruits I grow. I have only a few thousand to spare. Prices: \$1.50 per hundred, \$10.00 per thousand, 50 at the hundred rate, 500 at the thousand rate. No raspberries by mail.

### **STATE OF CONNECTICUT**

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### **CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERI- MENT STATION New Haven, Conn.**

### **CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION**

This is to certify that the nursery stock of C. E. Chapman of North Stonington, Conn., has been duly examined in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 122 of the Acts of the General Assembly, January Session, 1901, and that it is apparently free from dangerously injurious insects and plant diseases. This Certificate expires September 1, 1917.

W. E. BRITTON, State Entomologist.